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SUBJECT: 63RD ECOSOC: ITEM 14 - SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY:

NETWORK PROPOSAL

1. THERE FOLLOWS THE ENGLISH TEXT OF A DRAFT RESOLUTION ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY, PREPARED BY MEXICO. THE RESOLUTION HAS THE SUPPORT OF THE LATIN AMERICAN GROUP, AND HAS JUST BEEN PASSED TO THE MEMBERS OF THE G-77. THE DRAFT RESOLUTION WILL BE INTRODUCED ON TUESDAY MORNING, JULY 19.

2. THERE APPEAR TO BE NO SUBSTANTIVE PROBLEMS WITH THE BODY OF THE RESOLUTION. DELEGATION WILL INFORMALLY SEEK IMPROVEMENT ON

NIEO/CERDS LANGUAGE. PARAGRAPH 8 (DESPITE OBSCURE TRANSLATION) REFERS TO THE NETWORK ON THE EXCHANGE OF TECHNOLOGICAL INFORMATION. THE DELEGATION HAS DISCUSSED THE TEXT WITH KENNERLY OF OST, WHO COMMENTS THAT THE CONCEPT IN PARA 8 IS FULLY CONSISTENT WITH THE NETWORK CONCEPT. WE REQUEST DEPARTMENT'S GUIDANCE.

3. FYI: THERE WERE ONLY A FEW GENERAL COMMENTS ON THE NETWORK DURING GENERAL DEBATE ON ITEM 14, WHICH IS NOW CLOSED. THE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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UNITED STATES AND ALGERIA EXPRESSLY RESERVED THEIR COMMENTS FOR THE FALL (RESUMED ECOSOC OR GA).

4. BEGIN TEXT.

RECALLING:

ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL RESOLUTION 1897 (LVII) ON THE

NECESSITY OF CONVENING A UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE ON SCIENCE
AND TECHNOLOGY FOR DEVELOPMENT,

ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL RESOLUTION 2028 (LXII) RELATING
TO THE UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY FOR
DEVELOPMENT, PARTICULARLY PARAGRAPH 4 OF SECTION II WHICH
STRESSES THE IMPORTANCE AND PURPOSE OF THE PREPARATORY PERIOD
FOR THE CONFERENCE AT THE NATIONAL AND REGIONAL LEVELS;

ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL RESOLUTION 2035 (LXI) ON
THE PREPARATORY PERIOD FOR THE UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE ON
SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY FOR DEVELOPMENT,

GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTIONS 3201 AND 3202 (S-VI) ON
THE DECLARATION AND PROGRAMME OF ACTION ON THE ESTABLISHMENT
OF A NEW INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC ORDER, AND GENERAL ASSEMBLY
RESOLUTION 3281 (XXIX) ON THE
CHARTER OF ECONOMIC RIGHTS AND DUTIES OF STATES, WHICH LAID
THE FOUNDATIONS FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A NEW INTERNATIONAL
ECONOMIC ORDER,

GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 3362 (S-VII), ADOPTED
AT ITS SEVENTH SPECIAL SESSION, ON DEVELOPMENT AND INTERNATIONAL
ECONOMIC CO-OPERATION,

GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 3507 (XXX) ON INSTITUTIONAL
ARRANGEMENTS IN THE FIELD OF THE TRANSFER OF TECHNOLOGY, PARAGRAPH 1
OF WHICH REAFFIRMS THE IMPORTANCE OF WIDER DISSEMINATION OF
SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL INFORMATION, AND PARAGRAPH 2
OF WHICH DECIDES TO ESTABLISH AN INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGICAL
INFORMATION BANK,

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RESOLUTION 87 (IV) OF THE UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE ON
TRADE AND DEVELOPMENT, ON STRENGTHENING OF TECHNOLOGICAL
CAPACITY OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES,

GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 31/184 (XXXI) ON THE UNITED
NATIONS CONFERENCE ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY FOR DEVELOPMENT,
PARAGRAPH 6 OF WHICH REQUESTS THE PREPARATORY COMMITTEE,
TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THE TIME NEEDED FOR THE REGIONAL AND
INTERREGIONAL PREPARATORY MEETINGS, TO SUBMIT ITS PROPOSALS
TO THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL AT ITS SIXTY-THIRD SESSION,

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TAKING NOTE OF THE REPORT OF THE PREPARATORY COMMITTEE
FOR THE UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
FOR DEVELOPMENT ON ITS FIRST SESSION - SUPPLEMENT NO. 43
(A/32/43),

TAKING NOTE OF THE REPORT OF THE SECRETARY -GENERAL
ON THE STATE OF THE PREPARATIONS FOR THE UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE
ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY FOR DEVELOPMENT (E/6000),

CONSIDERING THAT THE IMPORTANCE, SCOPE AND UNIVERSAL
CHARACTER OF THIS INTERGOVERNMENTAL CONFERENCE AND ITS PREPARATORY
PROCESS REQUEIRE LINKS WITH ALMOST ALL THE ACTIVITIES
OF THE UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM AND OF THE GOVERNMENTAL
ORGANIZATIONS WHICH DO NOT FORM PART OF THAT SYSTEM, THE
ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL ENDORSES THE RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED
BY THE PREPARATORY COMMITTEE AT ITS FIRST SESSION AND, ACCORDINGLY:

1. DRAWS ATTENTIAON TO THE FACT THAT THE UNITED NATIONS
CONFERENCE ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY FOR DEVELOPMENT AND ITS
PREPARATORY PROCESS NECESSITATE THE ADOPTION OF LINKAGE
AND CO-ORDINATION MEASURES AT VARIOUS LEVELS;

2. RECOMMENDS THAT THE AUTHORITIES DIRECTLY CONCERNED SHOULD
ADOPT WITHOUT DELAY PRACTICAL MEASURES TO ENSURE THAT THE LINKAGE
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AND CO-ORDINATION MENTIONED ARE ACHIEVED SATISFACTORILY WITHIN
THE FRAMEWORK OF EXISTING MACHINERY AND, ESPECIALLY:

- (A) WITHIN THE UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM, CHIEFLY BY ADMINISTRATIVE
COMMITTEE ON CO-ORDINATION AND IN THE LIGHT OF PARAGRAPHS
4, 9, 10, 11 AND 12 OF GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 31/184;
- (B) IN RESPECT OF INTERGOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS
NOT WITHIN THE SYSTEM, IN THE LIGHT OF PARA 13 OF GENERAL
ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 31/184;
- (C) WITHIN THE VARIOUS UNITS OF THE UNITED NATIONS
SECRETARIAT WHICH ARE PARTICIPATING IN THE PREPARATIONS FOR
THE CONFERENCE.

3. REQUESTS THE UNITED NATIONS SECRETARY-GENERAL TO INCLUDE IN HIS REPORT ON THE PREPARATORY WORK OF THE CONFERENCE, TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY AT ITS THIRTY-SECOND SESSION THROUGH THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL, A SECTION ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS RESOLUTION.

4. REQUESTS THE COMPETENT ORGANS OF THE UNITED NATIONS TO ENSURE THE ALLOCATION OF THE FINANCIAL RESOURCES REQUIRED FOR THE EFFICIENT INITIATION OF THE PREPARATORY WORK, AND TO GRANT ADEQUATE FINANCIAL RESOURCES FOR THE BUDGET OF THE UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY FOR DEVELOPMENT, IN ORDER THAT THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES MAY BE GIVEN THE MAXIMUM CO-OPERATION AS SOON AS POSSIBLE TO ENABLE THEM TO PREPARE THEIR NATIONAL PAPERS.

5. REQUESTS THE REGIONAL COMMISSIONS TO SPEED UP THE WORK TO ENSURE THE FULFILMENT OF FUNCTIONS ASSIGNED TO THEM BY THE PREPARATORY COMMITTEE IN OPERATIVE PARAGRAPHS 5 AND 6 OF DECISION 1 (I) IN THAT COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

6. REQUESTS THE REGIONAL COMMISSIONS, IN SELECTING THE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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SUBJECT AREAS TO BE SUBMITTED FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF THE PREPARATORY COMMITTEE AT ITS FOURTH SESSION, TO ENSURE THAT THOSE AREAS CORRESPOND TO AREAS OF COMMON INTEREST TO THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES, AND THAT THEY ARE CONCEIVED AS A PROCESS WHEREBY THE SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL ACTIVITIES OF THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES MAY BE ADEQUATELY INCLUDED IN THE SOLUTION OF THE PROBLEMS OF ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE NEW INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC ORDER.

7. FURTHER REQUESTS THE REGIONAL COMMISSIONS TO TAKE FULLY INTO ACCOUNT, IN PREPARING THE REGIONAL PAPERS, THE DECISIONS OF SUB-REGIONAL OR REGIONAL MEETINGS CONVENED BY GOVERNMENTS IN OTHER FORUMS OF REGIONAL CO-OPERATION.

8. RECOMMENDS THAT THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY SHOULD ESTABLISH BASIC CRITERIA TO ENSURE THE OPERATION OF THE INFORMATION SYSTEM AMONG THE PARTICIPATING COUNTRIES.
TO THAT END, SUGGESTS:
 - (A) THAT THE INFORMATION SYSTEM SHOULD BE REGARDED AS AN INSTRUMENT FOR OPEN EXCHANGE ON A BILATERAL BASIS BETWEEN COUNTRIES,
AND THAT THE UNITED NATIONS SHOULD ENCOURAGE AND SUPPORT THE CREATION OF SUCH A SYSTEM.
 - (B) THAT NATIONAL GOVERNMENTS SHOULD ESTABLISH LINKS, THROUGH AD HOC BODIES, WITH THEIR COUNTERPARTS IN OTHER COUNTRIES AND WITH THE INTERNATIONAL SUPPORT MACHINERY.

(C) THAT IT IS THE PREROGATIVE OF EACH GOVERNMENT TO
ESTABLISH INFORMATION SUB-SYSTEMS WITHIN ITW OWN COUNTRY.

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